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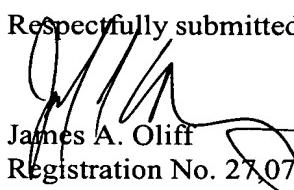
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- 2. Relevance of non-English language reference No. 1 is discussed in the present specification.
- 3. An English-language Abstract of non-English language reference No. 1 is attached hereto.
- 4. A computer-generated English translation of the following Japanese Patent Publication has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office (<http://www.jpo.go.jp>), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy. See Reference 1.

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